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## CHURCHILL CONDEMNS PREMIER'S DISARMAMENT MEMORANDUM



Don Santiago Alba, who was elected President of the Chamber of Deputies in Spain, last December.—(S. & G.)

### INTERMEDIATE CREDIT BANK

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Washington, To-day.  
President Roosevelt yesterday held a conference with the Treasury Secretary, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, and the Federal Reserve Bank Governor, Mr. Eugene Black, on industrial credit plans.

Mr. Black said that plans were most bright to establish an intermediate credit bank in each Federal Reserve district, to extend long term loans, to permit industry, to replace worn out equipment, and to resume operations on a larger scale.

It was estimated that nearly 1,000,000 could be given jobs under the programme.

It was emphasised that attempts to expand credit through established banks had failed.

The Administration has decided that the best way to help industry was to provide Government loans.

The plan considered credit inflation, which was somewhat offset by the deflationary effect of the stock-market communications, and the tariff bills.—Reuter.

### U.S. FEDERAL RELIEF EXPENDITURE.

Must Be Curtailed To Keep Budget Balanced.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

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Washington, To-day.  
Senator Millard Tydings has issued a warning that Federal relief expenditures must be curtailed sharply before next winter, in order to keep the Budget balanced.—United Press per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

### ROOSEVELT AND BONUS BILL.

Re-Affirms Opposition

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Washington, To-day.  
President Roosevelt has re-affirmed his opposition to the Veterans' Bonus Bill. He states that it opens the way to printing press inflation and unrestricted payments to other classes.—United Press per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

The Bill provides for the payment of \$1,250,000,000 in premiums to 5,000,000 veterans.

## "WE ARE DELUDING OURSELVES"

### FRANCE UNLIKELY TO ACCEPT SCHEME

#### EDEN'S EFFORTS OUT-OF-DATE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

CAPTAIN ANTHONY EDEN'S STATEMENT, IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, YESTERDAY, REGARDING HIS TOUR OF PARIS, BERLIN AND ROME, TO DISCUSS THE BRITISH MEMORANDUM ON DISARMAMENT, WAS FOLLOWED BY A FULL DEBATE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS WHICH WAS OPENED BY MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL.

"We are deluding ourselves," he said, "if we imagine Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's scheme is going to be accepted. In my opinion, the whole danger of our present foreign policy is that we are asking the French to weaken themselves."

Mr. Churchill scouted the possibility of building up an international armed force under the League of Nations, but thought that national forces might be united through particular causes, and thus give the world security.

THE LABOUR MEMBERS, COL. J. C. WEDGWOOD, APPLAUDING THE EXCELLENCE OF CAPTAIN EDEN'S INTENTIONS, THOUGHT THAT HIS EFFORTS WERE SLIGHTLY OUT-OF-DATE IN VIEW OF THE GERMAN EXPANSIONIST AIMS.

### DISARMAMENT SITUATION

#### French Reply May Prolong Action.

#### SECURITY AND EFFECTIVE CONTROL SOUGHT

Paris, To-day.

It is authoritatively stated that the French reply to the British Disarmament memorandum, which will probably be forwarded at the end of next week, will be so drafted as not to close the door of settlement.

It is understood that it will confirm with the general conditions laid down in a letter from the French Foreign Minister, M. Barthou, to Mr. Arthur Henderson, President of the Disarmament Conference, on February 10.

France is sincerely anxious that the Disarmament discussions will not end abortively, and hopes that the note will really facilitate an ultimate agreement.

France, however, is of the opinion that everything depends on British comprehension of France's minimum needs, namely security and effective armament control.—Reuter.

### THE ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY.

#### Senate Refuses To Ratify Canadian Treaty.

#### REBUFF FOR ROOSEVELT.

Washington, To-day.

The United States Senate, by 46 votes to 42, has refused to ratify the treaty with Canada, providing for the construction of the St. Lawrence Waterway at a cost of U.S.\$200,000,000.

This is a rebuff to President Roosevelt, who has twice previously urged the ratification. He now declares that the waterway will be built anyway, but fears that the Senate's action may result in its being entirely Canadian-controlled.

The treaty was concluded in 1922, after protracted negotiations. The opposition consisted of Democrats and Republicans.—Reuter.

The Liberal leader Sir Herbert Samuel, said that the revival of German militarism placed Europe in a terrible dilemma, namely, to acquiesce in its growth until a terrible world catastrophe resulted, or to check it by refusing a great country an equality status.

#### SPEED ESSENTIAL

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, winding up his speech, said that it was a hundred times better to get an imperfect agreement than none at all.

Regarding Mr. Stanley Baldwin's suggestion to get a limited convention, like an air agreement, Sir John Simon asserted that if such a position arose, Britain would not allow protracted discussions.

It was essential to act quickly, because time was running against the friends of Disarmament.

"If our hopes of better things disappear, we must face the consequences and prepare for action, if necessary, immediately."

The House of Commons agreed to vote on that account.—Reuter.

### CAPT. EDEN REVIEWS THE PROSPECTS

#### Nations Lack Confidence In One Another.

#### NOT A HOPELESS TASK

London, To-day.

Disarmament prospects were reviewed by the Lord Privy Seal, Captain Anthony Eden, during a debate in the House of Commons yesterday.

Before examining the European situation, Mr. Eden stated that the British Government had been instructed to seek an injunction to restrain the German, Italian and other companies from proceeding with the Cunard White Star merger.

He declared that the Company holds all the shares in the Oceanic Company, an American company, which will also be merged with the Cunard White Star.—Reuter.

### MUSSOLINI MAKES TWO FREE ZONE OFFERS

#### Austrian-Hungary Discussions.

#### COMPETITION WITH GERMAN RAILWAY LINE

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Rome, To-day.

It is learned that Signor Mussolini, in conferences with Dr. Dollfus and General Gombos, which began on Tuesday, has offered to grant a free zone at Trieste to Austria and a free zone at Fiume to Hungary.

He hopes thereby to restore the traffic of the two ports.

It is also expected that an offer of preferential rates on the railroad between Trieste and the Austrian frontier, in order to compete successfully with the German line from Hamburg to Vienna, will be made.—United Press per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

### "LINDY" INVITED TO TESTIFY.

#### American Air Mail Contracts.

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Washington, To-day.

The United States Senate Post Office Committee has invited Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, and Messrs. Chamberlain, Mitchell and Rickenbacker to testify concerning legislation for the return of American air mail contracts to private contractors.—United Press per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

### SHIPPING MERGER HITCH.

#### White Star Line Seek Injunction.

#### RIGHTS OF STOCKHOLDERS CLAIMED VIOLATED.

London, To-day.

When the North Atlantic Shipping Bill, to facilitate the Cunard-White Star merger, was considered in the Committee Stage by the House of Commons yesterday, the Liberal member for Birkenhead, Mr. H. Graham White, called attention to a report from New York to the effect that the White Star Line are seeking an injunction to prevent further progress being made in the merger.—(Continued on Page 9)

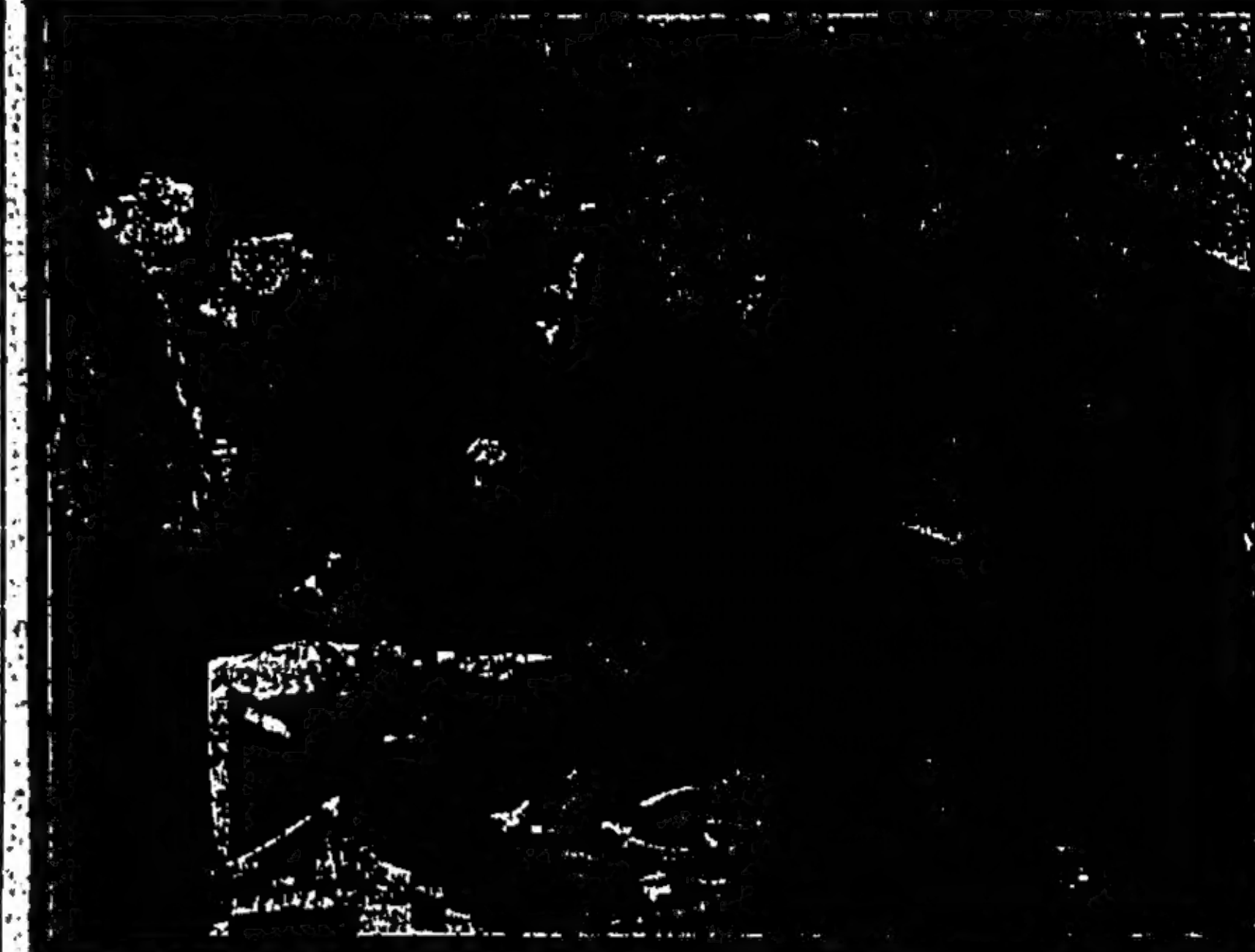
### L.M.M. HOLD ALL OCEANIC SHARES.

#### President's Revelation.

New York, To-day.

Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt of the International Mercantile Marine, has announced that the Company's attorneys have been instructed to seek an injunction to restrain the Cunard, Oceanic and other companies from proceeding with the Cunard White Star merger.

He declared that the Company holds all the shares in the Oceanic Company, an American company, which will also be merged with the Cunard White Star.—Reuter.



Micro-ray links England and France. At Lympne, Kent, Sir Phillip Sassoon, Under Secretary for Air, officially opened the world's first commercial Micro-Ray Radio Service between the Civil Airports at Lympne (England) and St. Inglevert (France). The picture shows visitors listening in to complimentary messages exchanged between Sir Phillip Sassoon at Lympne and Mr. Delevalle the French Under Secretary at St. Inglevert, France.

### MUNITION-RUNNING IN EUROPE

#### Italy Alleged Supplying Hungary.

#### LITTLE ENTENTE APPEAL TO THE LEAGUE

London, To-day.

Intense excitement exists in the Danubian countries over the reported transportation of arms from Italy to Hungary, and it recalls the perturbation which was occasioned throughout Europe by a similar affair at Hirtenberg, last year.

A Vienna message states that the reports are vehemently denied officially, but circumstantial stories persist, alleging that two heavily-laden armament trains traversed Austria on March 8 and March 9, and reached Hungary.

Belgrade reports declare that the newspapers claim to have definite proof of munition-running, and declare that it bodes ill for the Italian invitations to the Little Entente to participate in the economic co-operation.

It is stated that an appeal is being made to the League of Nations to control Austrian and Hungarian armaments.—Reuter.

### BASELESS RUMOURS

#### Object For Hindering Rome Conference.

Budapest, To-day.

It is officially stated that the rumours of the alleged supplies of arms to Hungary are baseless.

The press declare that they emanate from Little Entente quarters, with the object of hindering the Rome negotiations.—Reuter.

### RECOMMENDATION FOR CAR INDUSTRY.

#### Reduction In Hours And Wages Increase.

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Detroit, To-day.

The Division of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce has recommended that the automobile industry make a 10 per cent. reduction in hours and a 10 per cent. increase in wages from May 1 to May 31, and a 10 per cent. increase in wages from June 1 to June 30.—United Press.

### AUSTRIAN ITALIAN TALKS SATISFACTORY

#### Mussolini To Take More Machinery.

#### ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

Rome, To-day.

Pending their first meeting this afternoon, the Italian Premier, Signor Mussolini, the Austrian Chancellor, Dr. Engelbert Dollfus, and the Hungarian Premier, General Gombos, yesterday had a busy day at conferences and meetings, the most important of which was the meeting between Signor Mussolini and Dr. Dollfus at the Palazzo Venezia, in the morning, when they discussed the tariff preferences and quotas between the two countries, and the facilities to be given to Austria and Hungary at Trieste and Fiume.

It is understood that Italy is willing to take more Austrian machinery and industrial products, and Austria is willing to take more Italian agricultural products, especially, wine, but not grain, which she will take from Hungary.

General Gombos had a long talk with Dr. Dollfus yesterday morning, and afterwards saw the German Ambassador.

The three Premiers, in the afternoon, with their Majesties the King and Queen of Rumania, watched the cavalry students' display of horsemanship.

#### REVISION OF TREATIES

His Holiness the Pope, gave an audience to Dr. Dollfus in the evening, and it is understood that His Holiness was most interested in Dr. Dollfus' report of the situation in Austria.

Contrary to German reports, it is learned that the revision of treaties has not been discussed, and will not be discussed at to-day's meeting.

Dr. Dollfus stated to the press that a joint plan was being evolved which would be announced before Easter.—Reuter.

### BELGIUM'S TRADE POLICY.

#### Home Market To Be Safeguarded.

Brussels, To-day.

Having failed in the efforts to induce other countries of lower tariff barriers, Belgium has decided, henceforth, to pursue a firm policy to safeguard her home market against abnormal competition, due to subsidies and export exchanges, declared the Minister, M. Paul Hymans, in the Senate yesterday.

Belgium "possesses" no armaments, including the "cavalry" category, and her "reasonable" armaments are "reasonable" armaments.

### THE ANNU FRENCH TRADE TALKS

#### Will Resume To-day.

London, To-day.

Two sessions were held yesterday in the annual negotiations between the French and British Governments regarding the French tariff on British goods.





# The WOMAN'S Page



## Capes Collars And Sleeves

### New Capes Play Big Part In Paris Modes.

There is a lot of fuss about necks, shoulders, and sleeves. The hood line is popular, so is the cowl neck, and there is a new and mighty collar which is slung about the neck to change low at the back, you may have it in fur, in rushed and shirred velvet, in feathers, and in rushed ribbon.

Then there is the cape. What can be done and is done with the cape passes all imagination. You can have it drawn tightly about the shoulders in that pinched way that suggests a narrow mind and a temper which gives way before difficulty. You can have it all wide and ruffy with feather trimmings, muslin, or ribbon ruffles, and not too low on the arms. You can slit it at the back, or you can hang it straight from the shoulders so that it can be a cape at the back or a drapery in front.

Then there is the long cape which Maggy Rouff makes in wool for the day, and in velvet, satin or fur for the evening. And there is also the wide, hip-length cape in velvet with a fur band which dips at the back and rises in front. Black velvet capes are lined with white or with colour, always the lining is different from the cape. Mainbecher is making tweed capes to go on coats and skirts some to take off, while others just trim the shoulders. There is a lot to be said about capes this year.



## COMPLEXIONS TO SUIT BABY BONNETS

### More Hand-Packs Are Coming.

Special "perambulator" complexioners are being prepared for the spring bonnets and baby-boy's caps.

Even if hats have become different again by then, when will like the new make-up, which gives the face a milk and roses colour, like that of an old-fashioned debutante's.

More hand-packs are coming. There is a new one which makes the hand look fragile—the skin is bleached white almost to transparency.

This pack is called "The Invalid."

## BIRD AND FISH LINES FOR EVENING WEAR.

### Wind Swept Lines For Daytime.

This is the rest of the fashion news—as it was last week in Paris. Fish and bird silhouettes for evening. Slim silk dresses with a strange back trimming like a hen's tail.

The mannequin showed how it could be swept aside for sitting down.

These frocks were worn with sparkling capes of silver-painted zigzag feathers and silk jackets quilted in a pattern like fish scales. Day dresses and coats had frills, windswept lines quite different to the sleek evening ones.

Coats tapered into a "Typhoon" swirl. Plaids and stripes had a crazy design, as though a playful wind had blown the lines about on the fabric.

### ROUGHED BARE HEELS

Baroque heels have been seen so often that they are no longer accompanied by bare feet with rough heels.

## Daintier Nighties

### New Slender Lines For Night Wear.

#### RUSSIAN INFLUENCE IN VELVET PYJAMAS

Paris. We do a lot of talking about fashions for morning, noon and night, parties of all sorts and sizes, but only at rare intervals do we remember another occasion for smartness though we have no audience for it, or at least if an audience a very, very limited one! We refer specifically to bedtime costumes—nightgowns and pajamas.

It's a far very from flannel wrappers of "other days" to flimsy finery or "our times." Instead of being shaped like a gunysack, sleeping outfits of the "now" are molded as smoothly to the body as skin itself. No copious folds of flannel to wrap the feet in, no woolen bedsocks or mittens, or night-caps. All is chiffon and silk, satin or velvet these days, regardless of the rise or fall of the mercury. Houses are heated now and bed-covers, warm as toast, weigh only a few ounces instead of pounds.

Like top cloths, nightgowns and pajamas favour slender princess line. A two-piece nightie is even popular and is made like the new evening gowns, backless and high in the front, with a little lace bodice to accompany. It is blue crepe de Chine trimmed with lace ruffles of the same shade.

Russia creeps in to influence the sleeper with a pajama of orange velvet, and a black velvet mermaid gown trimmed with pink ostrich feathers is the Molyneux conception of smartness for secluded audience.

## THE NEW JEWELLERY

### Pearls In Fashion Again.

Jewellery has been slimming. It has shrunk from the barbaric to the Victorian, and pearls are used again.

For sports and day wear there are narrow bangles of painted leather embroidered with a gold thread, and a pair of bracelets for (Continued at Foot of Next Column)

## Vernal Grace



For spring wearing, the fashion news is that the new dress is to be made of a light, airy fabric, and the new hat is to be made of a light, airy fabric, and the new shoes are to be made of a light, airy fabric.



## Paris Fashions Influences

### Effect Of British Film Modes.

#### NOT A PASSING PHASE

For the first time in dress history a British film has influenced Parisian fashions. And the effect has come to stay!

Not so much in the silhouette but in details of sleeve interest, finish and jewellery.

#### More Graceful

The slightly clumsy padded sleeves worn by the men in the film are translated by the dress-makers, in the spring and summer collections, into a graceful sleeve with fullness between the wrist and upper arm. Occasionally one sees a sleeve completely gauged—on a dinner frock, for instance—or a dressy coat sleeve will be semi-fitting to the elbow and there fall into a loop of the material.

The collarless coat-lines and fronts finished by a thick padded roll, with a matching belt, the ruffs and gumpers worn, are all adapted from the dresses we saw in this film. Even the variations of the fitting collar are reminiscent of them. So you see it is not just a passing phase.

#### Skirts Are Slim

From there we go to the Regency or Directoire fashions now showing in Paris. The stand-up revers which adorn some of the jackets, the important jabots and gossamer-like blouses we shall wear this spring, are inspired by this epoch. They came in again in the Edwardian years, so you will be able to see what they look like in your family photograph books.

There is the same moulded waist although not so exaggerated, of course. But our skirts this year are slim and comparatively straight with, in some cases the fullness introduced at the back just above the knee in the form of

evening are of seed pearl-shaped like cuffs.

Gold jewellery has quite replaced any other kind except diamonds. Heavy gold chains, as with and neck are seen frequently in evening frocks, but that is the only large kind.

A new type of shoe, with a high, pointed toe, and a low, pointed heel, is seen frequently in evening frocks, but that is the only large kind.

a flared panel or pleat. The Directoire idea appears at Worth's in the form of gowns which although they have only a suggestion of a higher waist-line, have the trailing skirt of the period doubly flounced at the hem. Side by side with this skirt, however, there is the straight, slim type which Jean Patou shows. This is rounded at each side seam, and usually slit up there a little. Even his day skirts have a modified form of this hem-line.

A basque on some of the evening gowns gives a silhouette which we have not seen for some time.

#### Day Suits

Day suits seen in the collections comprise frocks or skirts with full-length coats, three-quarter loose jackets, fitted jackets with or without flared basque, and loose, straight coats with no fastenings and often with pipings or quiltings as a trimming.

Blouses are made like severe little waistcoats, perhaps with some looseness about the bust; in the approved tuck-in fashion, with elaborate jabot effects down the front; or even occasionally on jumper lines.

Two-piece frocks are shown in nearly all the houses. White pique bows, cravats, neckbands with dependent tabs or vests—all are stiff and starched, and often they seem to be worn the wrong way round, so that the mannequin is wearing her "bib" down her back.

Quite apart from the fin-like trimming on the back of tight, slim evening skirts, and the way the concentrates interest in the back, Schiaparelli's collection is interesting for the materials she uses.

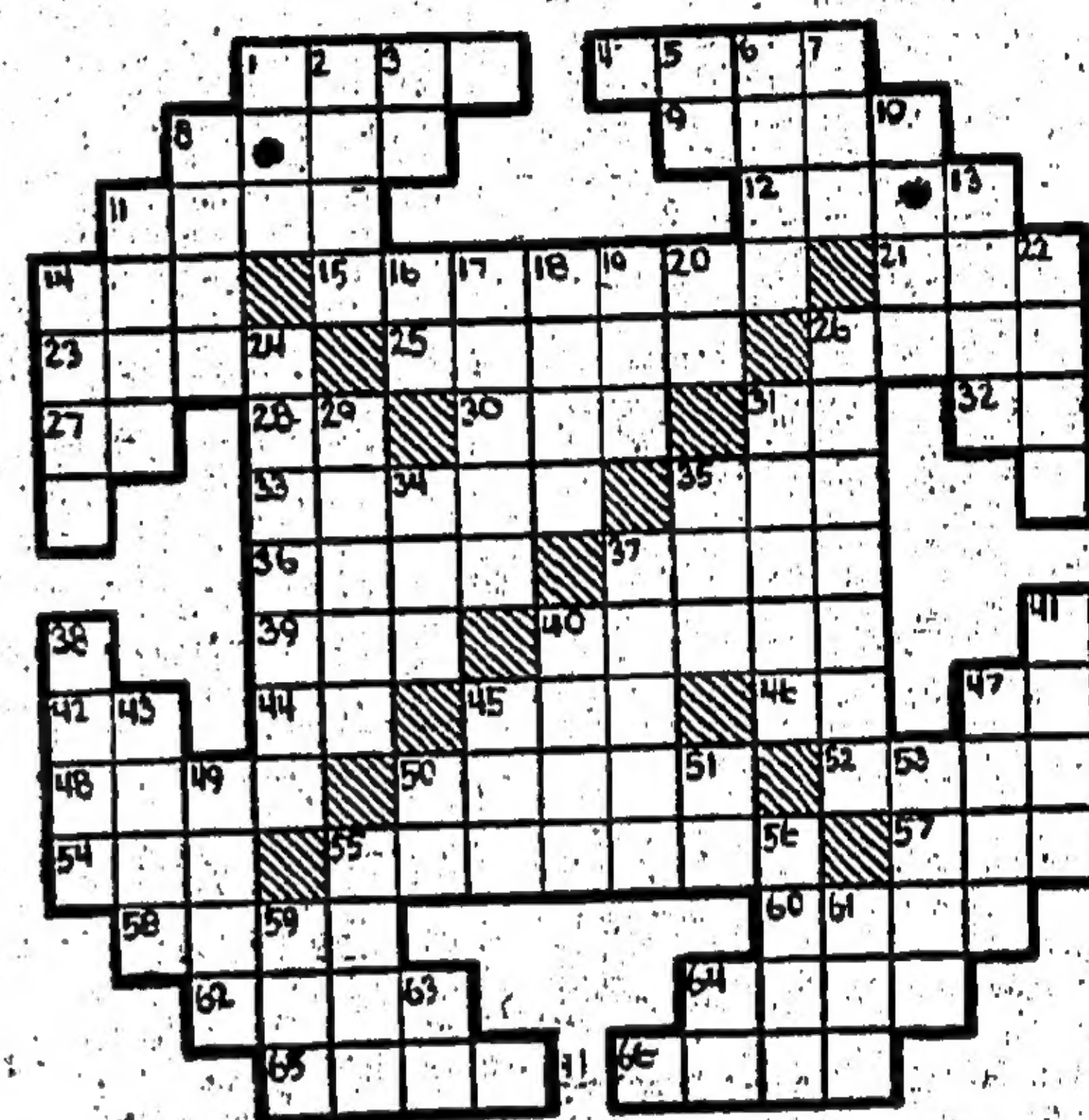


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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phrases spelling such as harbor, plow, and alike.



#### HORIZONTAL

- 1-Palm
- 4-Coagulate
- 8-Part for one
- 9-Once more
- 11-Constructed
- 12-Sail with wax
- 14-Observe
- 15-Perfume
- 21-Noah's ship
- 23-A beverage (pl.)
- 24-A series of steps
- 25-Twirl
- 27-Frolic
- 28-Proposition
- 30-A serpent
- 31-A country of Europe (abbr.)
- 32-Nickel (abbr.)
- 33-Arabia (Post.)
- 35-Rind
- 36-An alcoholic beverage (pl.)
- 37-Girl's name
- 38-Obtained
- 40-One who ventures
- 42-Hear
- 44-Half an em
- 45-A rodent
- 46-Point of compass (abbr.)

#### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 47-Father (short)
- 48-Howl
- 50-Dish of green herbs
- 52-Darling
- 54-Summit
- 55-Matured
- 57-Expire
- 58-Web-like member
- 60-Long grass stem
- 62-Rescue
- 64-Shortly
- 65-Recline
- 66-Sops

#### VERTICAL

- 1-Seed covering
- 2-To the sheltered side
- 3-Negative
- 5-Musical note
- 6-One time
- 7-Golf mound
- 8-Identical
- 10-Article of dress
- 11-A measure of length
- 12-Ireland (Post.)
- 14-Restrains
- 16-Secretary of State (abbr.)

#### VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 17-Platoon
- 18-Not difficult
- 19-Pinch
- 20-Credit (abbr.)
- 22-Unit firmly
- 24-Reel
- 26-Pierced
- 28-A constellation
- 31-Fathers
- 34-Insect
- 35-Sailor
- 37-Chief of evil spirits
- 38-Sour
- 40-A small valley
- 41-Removes the skin
- 42-To sound a horn
- 44-Knock
- 47-Remunerated
- 49-imitate
- 50-Musical note
- 51-Prefix. From
- 53-Paradox
- 55-Regis
- 56-Let fall
- 58-Etymological household
- 61-Greek goddess of the dawn
- 63-Plural suffix
- 64-Very

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.



## The Four Gore Plan.

Skirts may be set at an inch or so longer with straight lines maintained even though pleats and kites are out for a time.

The new materials likewise insist upon this tendency, as well as the four gore plan that prevents heavy fabric from sagging. This is an obvious reduction in the amount of fabric used, and the result is a skirt that is both smart and comfortable.











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Mrs. A. W. Ingram voiced the regret of the members at the coming departure of Mrs. Hunt, and said that the success of the Section was due to Mrs. Hunt's initiative and energy. She had conducted leather craft classes and in numerous ways had been the driving force behind the other activities. The members would never forget her work and she had left an example for them all to follow. In the name of the members Mrs. Ingram wished Mrs. Hunt Godspeed as she proceeded to England. Miss A. Fowler, Hon. Secretary for the Hookery Club, also expressed the regret that Mrs. Hunt was responsible for the formation of the Hookery Club in 1912, and since then had been Chairman of the Com-

... She had been invulnerable in that part, and that it was mainly due to her that the Hockey Club felt that they are losing a real friend and the good wishes of every member will go with you and Mr. Smith when they leave us.

At King's Park the Radio shared two goals with the Recreio. Souza scoring first for the Portuguese team and Kalwant Singh replying for the Radio.

**Blue House:**—Chung Chang-lan, So Kim-tung, Liang Tak-kai, Thomas Kew, Chu Si cheak, Wong Po-kwong, Yuen Sing-ai, Wan Tse-ying, Yip Fai-lung, Lo Han-tze and Chan Chak-chi.

**Black House:**— Chung Tak-chuen; Denis Bingh, Simon Lau; Shuen Mong-liang; Lui Kan-lau, Liu Chuen-kwan; Kung Chi-chiu, Chu Tse-kwai, Cheung Chung-hing, George Chan and Tung Hang-yen.

**I**N the Final Round of the H.M.S. Berwick Soccer Cup competition at the Valley yesterday, the Forecastle Men defeated the Marines by seven goals to nil.

**THIS YEAR'S PROMISE**  
The Australian ponies sent to the Colony at the end of 1933 to race as new ponies in 1934 proved to be far and above the best yet ever sent here. Already there is promise of some very keen racing. Able Amazon and Bronze Era, respectively, won the two Sydney Maidens. The former went on to win the Rooty Hill Derby, and Bronze Era, apt to be outdone, secured the Australian Champions!

## Goalkeeper's Lapse In Cornwall Game.

Forrestop: Cameron. Jones: Daniels.  
Promotion: Cameron. Bright: Anglin.

THE Club, holders for the only two years the Tournament has been in progress were faced with the weakest opposition, H.M.S. Cumberland "B" and secured a runaway victory the second half of the game being a sequence of tries. Feeble goal kicking, however, curtailed the score considerably.

**T**HE senior team of the South Wales Borderers opened the series, with their game against the Lyceum R. A., but it was a poor game, the latter seven being a beaten team from the first minute when Shaw broke away from a scrum at centre to touch down between the posts. Simonds failed with an easy kick.

## Adventure Prove Very Disappointing

R. A. Stonecutters:— Lt. Metcalfe,  
(Capt.): Lt. Birt, Lt./Bmdr. Hall,  
Lt. Bdr. Smith, Gunner Barraclough,  
Gunner Hubbard, and Gunner Wright.  
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L. B. Knott.  
Referee:— Cottzwalz.

A. between H.M.S. Cumberland  
A" and the Borderers, "B", the  
aval team securing a close

No further scoring took place until just before full time, when

Despite their victory, it is doubtful if the Cumberland will reach a final. Should they beat Bow,

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n, whom they meet on Saturday will still have the Club as opposition in the semi-final. Tomorrow have several speed trials, and a close game is anticipated.

orders "B":—L/Cpl. Smith; Cpl. (Capt.); Pte. Marsh; Pte. Thouse, Pte. Williams (33), Pte. rns, and Pte. Whelan.  
ference:—Dr. J. A. R. Selby.

While dominating the scrums, S. Tamar and Small Ship were beaten by the Bank in a game of incident.

Early in the game Rigg lost a valuable chance to give the Bank lead, owing to lack of speed. This was only one of the opportunities which were missed by both

Turner cut through and pass Stewart, who went over behind the posts. Rigg converted the Bank a win by a goal try (8 points) to nil.

## UB PLAY GAME OF TOUCH DOWNS

Ellan missed four out of the goal-kicks, Peers who took her kick was successful.   
 Ruson, who was the outstanding player on the field, secured all the tries, all solo efforts.

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"Dinner at Eight" is overwhelming. A galaxy of stars who contribute super performances, giving us melodrama, intrigue, big business, social comedy, tragedy and domestic drama.

Frances Marion and Herman Ferber adapted the screen version from the stage play by George Kaufman and Edna Ferber, and the direction by George Cukor is thoughtful and capable. He handled the troupe of temperamental stars in the most approved manner, and by the greatest show of tact, this million dollar production was "shot" in four weeks a feat that every one concerned, from David Selznick down at the Metro Studio has reason to be proud. It meant hard work and no fun, yet no one seemed to have trodden on each other's toes.

Opinions are divided as to which artist gives the best performance. Marie Dressler, as the ex-queen of musical comedy is delightful—as always, but is hardly suited physically and temperamentally to the role of the woman with a naughty past whose sex-appeal had a world of men at her feet. John Barrymore as the one-time movie idol is inclined to overact, but, personally, I think his part calls for just such an interpretation as he gives it. Brother Lionel as the shipping magnate has little chance to shine. It is the way with most of the parts, and when you leave the theatre you find that the group of stars impressed you more than the parts they played.

## The Tough Wife.

Most of the critics favour Jean Harlow as the gaudy "tough" wife of the self-made financier—she turns in a superb performance—and Wallace Beery also gives a fine characterization. Billie Burke considerably improves on other performances she has given us. ("Bill of Divorcement" for instance) and as the fussy, stupid, society woman who is responsible for the Dinner Party, does remarkably well in an exciting role. Karen Morley gives us about three minutes of fine acting—as the wife of the handsome Doctor (Edmund Lowe). Lee Tracy is the Agent, and is always perfectly natural.

Such fine artists as Madge Evans, Phillips Holmes, May Robson, the late Louise Closser Hale, Grant Mitchell, Jean Harlow and Edwin Maxwell handle their small parts with skill and assurance.

Into this unusual film the authors have crowded a suicide, a bedroom flirtation, illness, business and a shattered love affair. The brilliant cast has never been equalled in one picture.

It even outshines its famous predecessor—"Grand Hotel", and should prove to be as great a box-office attraction. Highest recommendations. (Queens).

"Olsen's Big Moment" gives two comedians innumerable chances. El Brendel and Walter Catlett as janitor and society man hand out the laughs—while Barbara Weeks and Susan Fleming add to the enjoyment. El Brendel is a big favourite here, so I expect this will prove an attraction.

This will be followed by Will Rogers in "Dr. Bull". A pleasing picture for the Rogers "Fans". The story of a small-town doctor is ideally suited to the "Honey" brand of the star's humour. Vera Allen (a new name) plays his childhood sweetheart, with Marian Nixon and Howard Lally as the young lovers. Louise Dresser, Rochelle Hudson and others have not much to do.

"Hoopla" The Famous "IT" Girl, Clara Bow, follows in "Hoopla".

Young Doug Fairbanks, Dorothy Mackall and the little Milton Mills in this, when it was

part talkie—as "The Barker". Clara wriggles and vamps as the Carnival dancer, while Richard Cromwell, son of the Barker—(Preston Foster), does a good deal with a part that does not give him acting a chance. I wonder why Foster was chosen for the father—make-up takes away from the reality—and he is too young for the part. Minna Gombell is the discarded sweetie.

Much footage is devoted to Clara Bow—the others don't seem to matter. I can't report that Clara has a winner yet—but I still count myself as one of her greatest admirers. These Fox attractions all due at the King's for THREE performances daily from Saturday, 17th.

## Touring Players.

The 9.30 show is occupied by the Grant-Anderson Comedy Company—WHAT a treat in store of lovers of the REAL thing—not the canned variety. Grant Anderson was much liked here when he played the Cockney soldier in Bobby Salisbury's Company, which presented "Journey's End"—and for the last few years he has been coaching Indian students in Shakespeare, and founded the Indian National Theatre where he teaches, stages and produces many successes.

Miss Lena Anderson, his sister, has played principal roles in London plays, and has recently finished acting on Broadway.

Others in the company are Mr. Mac Mills, Reginald Blackburn, Peggy Walker, Nell Vivian and Madge Jeffery.

The opening play "While

trees) kills her lover when he threatens to disclose it. He takes the blame, and the ending is morbid, but out of the ordinary and unexpected. NOT for children.

## Bed Time Story.

Maurice Chevalier and Baby Le Roy in "Bedtime Story" is so human, so different from anything Chevalier has given us.

Baby Le Roy is an amazing infant, whose naturalness disarms all suspicions that he is acting. Here the Director has to receive the bouquets, as he makes the adorable baby give a performance, at least that is what it seems like. Edward Everett Horton as the Butler is inimitable, and the scenes between these three are superb. Chevalier sings four songs as charmingly as he knows how—Helen Twelvrees is the Nurse, but the Baby, Chevalier and Horton take the show upon their shoulders. Strongly Advised.

## Boxing Film Hit.

"The Prizefighter and the Lady" scores Knockout Hit of the year. You will never see anything like the fight between Max Baer (the Star of the film) and Primo Carnera, and the referee is no less a

I can't quite understand why Paul Muni did not play the screen role when he made such a hit on Broadway in the name part. Doris Kenyon and Bebe Daniels help to make this a picture that will be remembered. Coming to the Alhambra.

## Best Musical Comedy.

I think, unquestionably, that "Moonlight and Pretzels" is one of the best musical comedies we have had. It more than holds its own. Delightful music, and first-class acting with a human back-story. Roger Pryor, Mary Brian, Leo Carillo, and Lillian Miles certainly score. Followed by Clark Gable and Jean Harlow in "Hold your man," strong drama of the rough-house type, but grand acting. Then a film I liked, Robert Montgomery and Sally Eilers in "Made on Broadway." Really first-class shows, which should please the patrons of the popular Oriental.

## "Little Women"

R.K.O. announce that VERY SHORTLY we are to see THE sensation of sensations—"Little Women," starring Katharine Hepburn, but the WHOLE cast, and the ever-green story, so many of us loved when children—by Louisa Alcott, have helped to make this a picture that is unforgettable. Also, the tremendously popular Wheeler and Woolsey in their latest "Hips Hips Hooray." Due at Rings.

## Two Dramatic Hits.

I can personally recommend two intensely dramatic stories. "Storm at Daybreak", with glorious Kay Francis, Walter Huston and Nils Asther giving of their best. Then, Spencer Tracy, Ralph Morgan and Colleen Moore and Helen Vinson in the Narratage film "The Power and the Glory." Very unusual story, and Tracy is not a likeable character, but there is no denying the power of the whole thing—and he is magnificent. Strongly advised. Coming to the Star.

## I'M TELLING YOU

Max Baer has everything that a young man needs to become a screen success. This famous prizefighter sprang into prominence when he defeated Max Schmeling the German boxer. He has been fighting since he was nineteen, and out of 47 fights in the heavyweight class—has only lost five. He is handsome, in a large way, with a magnificent pair of shoulders. A clear low-pitched voice that is pleasing—and an undoubted ability to act, sing and dance. His performance in "The Prizefighter and the Lady" suggests that he has a big future in films.

## Lee Tracy's Dismissal.

I am more glad than I can say that the film "Fans" in Great Britain, as well as the States are rooting for the return to the screen of the so-called "Bad-Boy" Lee Tracy.

We still have no means of getting at the real truth—and it is the strong opinion of the critics that Tracy should never have been FIRED by M.G.M.

## Amusing Jannings's Trifle.

Emil Jannings returns to the screen in "The Merry Monarch"

The photography is glorious, and the girls are most attractive—but I regret to state the star has little chance to really act.

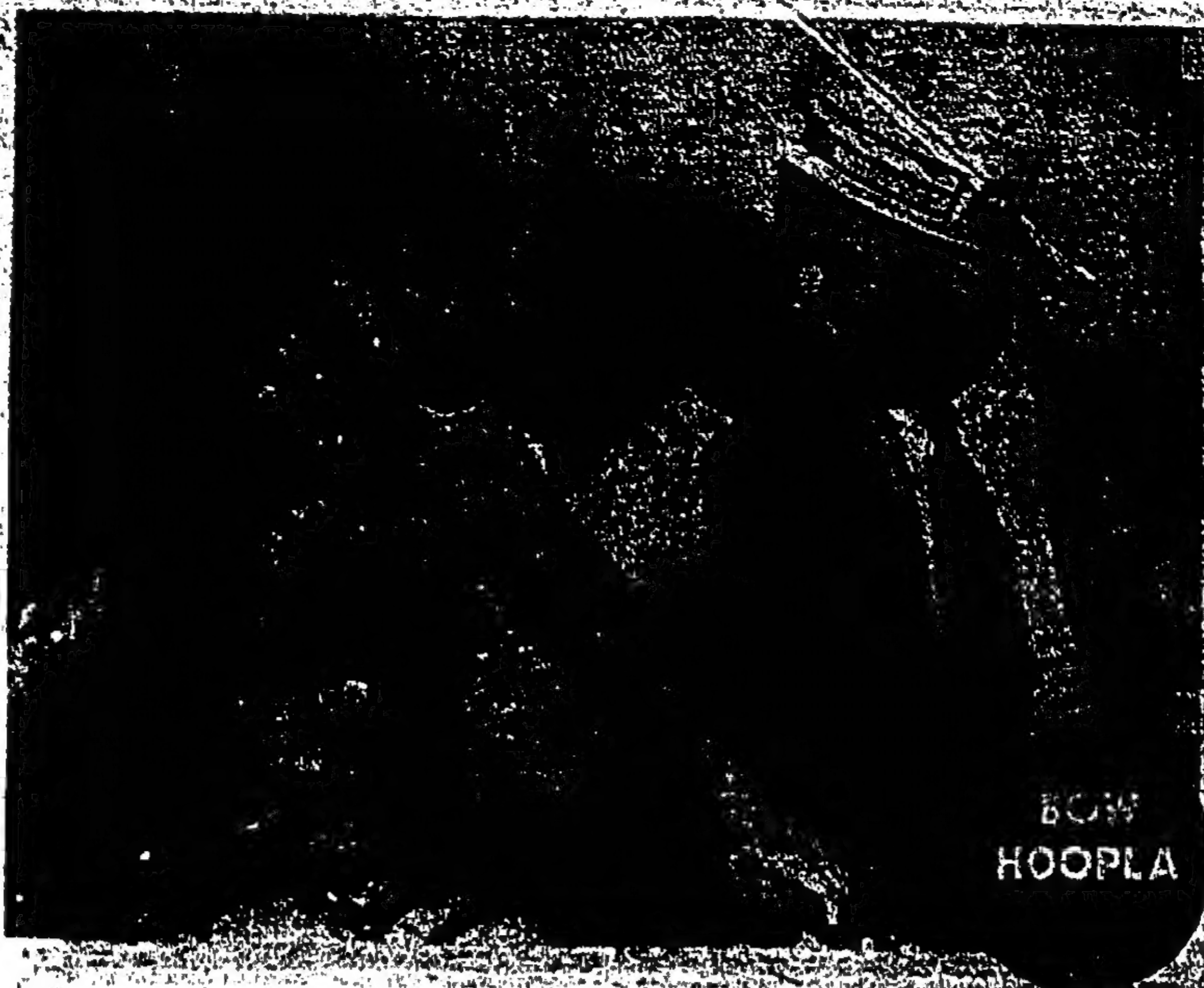
I must confess that it is an unusual type of entertainment. We find the hero, Ruler of a fantastic Arcadia, with a harem of 188 wives.

Petite, pretty, little Hollywood actress, Sydney Fox, determines that she will not share her husband, and therein lies the plot.

Eric Aahly and Dorothy Boyd are among others present. It is summed up as an amusing trifle. (Central)

Counsellor A. L. Law

John Barrymore in "Counsellor at Law" has the sort of part in which he really



Clara Bow the star of "Hoopla" which will be screened at the King's from March 21.

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FULTON BEING TOWED  
TO JUNK BAY

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out on piracy patrol. The British vessel then kept in communication with Hong Kong and reported that the Commander of the Fulton, Captain McHenry, had ordered the crew to abandon ship. At that time all the boats had not been picked up.

At midnight, however, news that the entire crew had been rescued and the Wishart returned to Hong Kong at 2 a.m. H.M.S. Wishart left Hong Kong at 10 p.m. and relieved the Wishart, standing by the Fulton.

Starts in Engine Room. The fire is reported to have commenced in the engine room at 8.35 p.m. while the officers were at evening meal. An exhaust pipe blew out, igniting oil round the engine, the flames reaching the oil tank which exploded, scattering oil in all directions. Wishart's boat

time the vessel was burning fiercely and sky rockets were fired. The Taisan first noticed these and communicated with H.M.S. Wishart. So rapidly did the flames spread on the Fulton that the wireless apparatus was immediately destroyed and no messages could be despatched.

Only three casualties occurred, coxswain Head being badly gassed by fumes. Dalasang, a Philippine cook, is suffering from a broken leg, and Miss Schenck from a broken arm.

Laggas, one of the engine room crew, was overcome by the fumes, but was rescued before badly affected. Seaman Beach and Harris and cook Schmitt were slightly burnt.

Executive officers of the U.S.S. Fulton were: Commander H. D. McHenry, Lt. Cdr. Elmer (Verona) Water, Glen, Lt. G. B. Phelan, C. J. Jones, Lt. C. H. Christopher, Lt. R. E. Sampson, Lt. G. H. Metcalfe, Lt. Cdr. D. T. Hunter, Lt. W. J. Brown, Lt. J. H. Smith, 2nd Lt. B. H. Brown.





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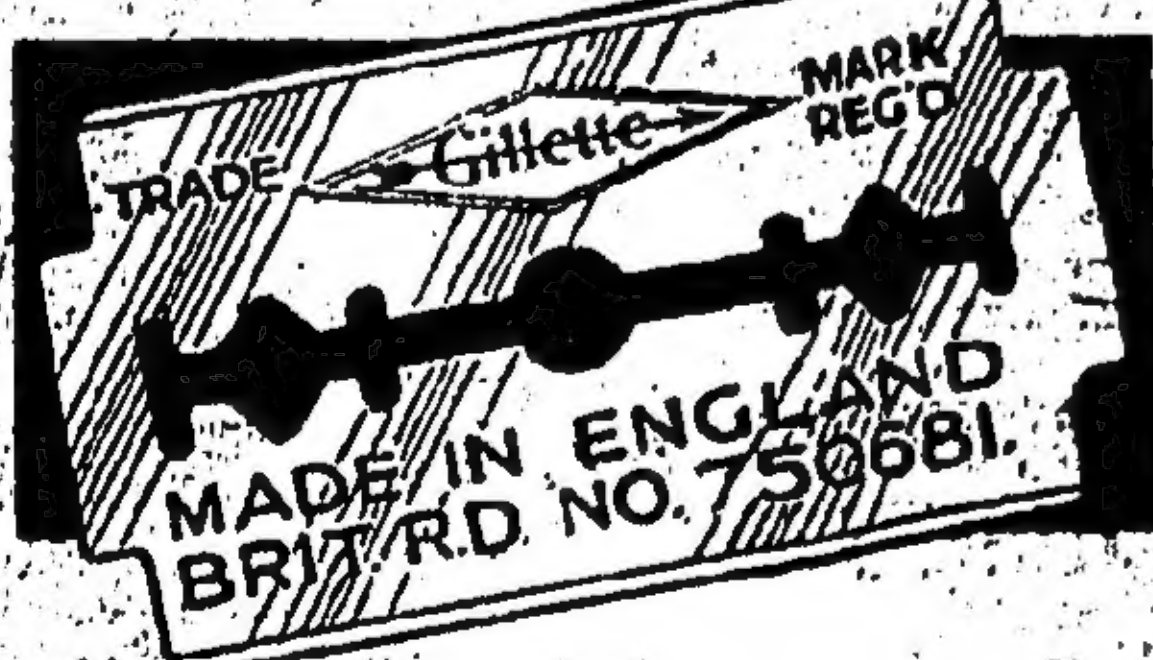
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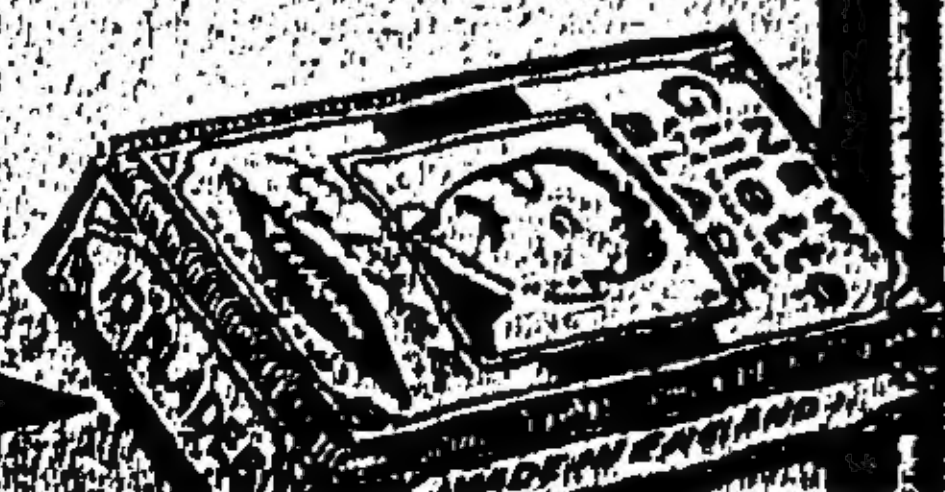
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**Recruitment For Commerce.**

The suggestion made by the Headmaster of Queen's College in his Annual Report that there should be set up under the auspices of the Education Department an employment for the recruiting of boys for positions in Government Departments and local firms deserves a better fate than burial in the bound volumes of official reports or newspapers. It is one of these seeds scattered by the wayside which if they fall on suitable soil will germinate and if carefully tended will in due season bring forth fruit. The question merits consideration. Many boys are being sent out annually from our schools, well-fitted to adapt themselves to occupations of various kinds only to find that the market for their labour is oversupplied. This is a bad state of affairs from every point of view. However, much may be said about education for culture, education for leisure—and we believe the case for these cannot be put too strongly—it must be realised that the parents first aim in giving children an education of a given kind is to fit them to earn a living. The modern cynic says that much of the schooling children are now getting merely unfits them to earn a living. If that be so the fault lies not with the school authorities and the teachers but with the parents themselves and with the leaders in commerce and industry. In these days educationalists know pretty well what they want; do parents and managers of firms know equally well what they want? If so, have they communicated that knowledge to those whose concern it is to provide the education? The question is exercising the best minds in all spheres of life in Britain. Avenues are being explored by which businesses and universities and schools can get together, air their views, and arrive at some common understanding. The time is ripe for some such step in Hong Kong. Times of economic depression are the most propitious for putting our affairs in order. Rightness is admittedly at a low ebb locally. It is a testing time for methods of organisation and recruitment of staff. What more propitious time for re-examining our local business methods and putting them on a secure, progressive basis? Let business heads and administrative heads

and education heads get together, state their respective cases and pool their resources. Each has something to contribute. Two heads are better than one and three than two. Here is an opportunity for public spirited endeavour. What is wanted is a body that will find out the nature of the demand in local firms as well as Government Departments for recruits from our local schools. Chinese and European general commercial or technical. The demands of commerce and industry being shown, steps could then be taken to meet that demand. "Reliance on old custom, friend pigskin" and so on leads merely to stagnation and subsequent decrepitude. New times demand a reorientation. No more fruitless advance could be made for the benefit of the Colony than the establishment of a body to realise this most important object.

**Britain's Shipbuilding Supremacy.**

We may now fairly assure ourselves that the recovery of the British shipbuilding industry is making steady progress. Improvement began early last year, but was slow. It has now so far advanced that the tonnage under construction, 331,541 tons, is 106,044 tons greater than the amount at the beginning of 1933. Now our shipyards are building 43.8 per cent. of the total under construction in the world. In January 1933 our share was only 29.4 per cent. This advance is a timely proof of the enterprise and efficiency of the industry, but there is a long way to go before the shipyards recover the prosperity which they enjoyed, not in the boom years, but in 1929, just before the depression began, when the tonnage under construction was 1,560,254. The proportion of the world's building we have recovered is, however, most encouraging. This is an achievement the more to be admired because the plight of shipping gave small inducement to shipowners to place orders. Courageous hope of improvement in trade could, however, justify the order of some new liners, and we may well be proud of the enterprise of those who thus determined on a forward policy before the clouds were lifting. Useful help has been given by orders for a large number of coastal craft and for trawlers. These orders have been stimulated by Government action in two directions, first, by a fiscal concession to the use of oil fuel in the coasting trade; secondly, by protection of the fisheries. When signs of better times have been estimated, it remains clear that there can be no establishment of the shipbuilding industry able to hold its own

**HERE, THERE, EVERYWHERE****Sex War in Schools**

A protest has been published from the National Association of Schoolmasters against the employment of men teachers in mixed schools where the head is a woman. It is understood that similar protests have been made by the Schoolmistresses' Association against their members being required to work under a headmaster.

Education officials of the L.C.C. say that very few complaints from individual teachers are received under the present system of appointing men and women to be heads of mixed schools on merit. Actually out of about 1600 elementary schools in London only 330 are mixed. One-third of these have headmistresses.

**Men Outnumbered**

The Middlesex County Council control more co-educational schools than other county authority in England. They always appoint headmasters for mixed and boys' secondary schools and headmistresses for girls' secondary schools. In mixed elementary schools the proportion of women to men heads is one-third as in London.

In the whole of England women outnumber men as teachers in the elementary schools by three to one. In the secondary schools the sexes are evenly divided.

**Your Daily Smile.****TOO BAD**

He came tearing along the quay-side at Southampton to catch the liner for America. There was a thick fog and no sign of a gang plank. But about three feet from the quay he saw, dimly, the great ship. Even then did not give in. He took a terrific leap, cleared the taffrail, and landed on the deck. "That was neat thing," he said; "I thought I'd missed her." "Wrong boat," said the purser. "We're just coming in."

**A New Dodge**

"Mummy," said little Joan pleadingly, "can I please have another piece of toffee?" "I've only just given you a piece," said mother. "What happened to it?"

"I've lost it," the child replied. "Where did you lose it?" mother inquired. "I just put it into my mouth and it went right down," Joan informed her.

**Long Wait in Store**

The talkative young man always aired his views on the slightest provocation.

"Take aviation," he said to a long-suffering acquaintance. "Look what wonderful progress it has made in the last twenty or so years. It's nothing short of amazing. Men can now do absolutely anything a bird can do."

"Is that so?" said the other wearily. "Well, when you see an airman fast asleep hanging on to a branch with one leg I'll come and look at him and I'll probably believe you."

**EARNED**

A Hollywood couple have been married six weeks and are still living together. Least we can do, it seems to me, is to send them the Dummog Fitch.

**Facts You Did Not Know.**

Diesel engine cars used by a German railway are controlled by men seated in the middle of the roof, giving them a view in all directions, while the passengers view ahead is unobstructed.

The Austrian government has appropriated more than \$9,000,000 for resurfacing, straightening, and otherwise improving the most important main highways in the country and construction of new ones.

An American Museum of Natural History scientist has demonstrated that bees are able to distinguish small intricate patterns in ultraviolet colours and most of the objects visible to human beings.

**FRANCE'S MEN OF THE MOMENT****PROBABLE SUCCESSORS TO POWER****GASTON DOUMERGUE'S CAREER**

"More than any great European capital, Paris is the head and heart of its country," writes a special correspondent of the *London Evening Standard*.

The master of Berlin is not the master of Germany. When Garibaldi held Rome he held no other town in Italy, no Moscow and Leningrad interchange, and the North might ignore the decision of London.

But throughout the history of France all quick decisions have been taken in Paris. I do not mean that they can override the provinces, whose slow, surly opinion, based on the possessive instinct for the land, cannot be ignored. But whenever the provinces don't care, Paris has her way.

On this occasion they may care or not; they have, apart from minor troubles in some half dozen towns, lain low. They will have their way if they wish. But if they are indifferent, feeling that the social continuity of the soil can ignore political change, then Paris will decide; and for this reason it would be wrong to dismiss the riots as Royalist fanaticism or Communist toughness. Perhaps the new Ministry will merely be another set of flashing false teeth in poor Marianne's face. But it might be a real change. Let us examine the probable successors to power in the immediate future and see whether any such real change is possible.

The man of the moment is Gaston Doumergue, who has rushed to Paris like any Cincinnatus deserting his farm *pro bono reipublice*. If significance can be attached to such a record he was the first Protestant and first bachelor to have been President of the Republic. He was a peasant's son of Alguès-Vives in Provence, who went to a Lycee at Nîmes, became a barrister, a magistrate in Cochinchina and in Algeria, and then a politician.

Like all French politicians of any distinction, he wandered about from Ministry to Ministry—from 1902 to 1913. In that year M. Poincaré asked him to form a Cabinet. He did so, but resigned in May 1914 on a point of principle.

From the outbreak of war till 1917 he was Minister for the Colonies, and after the war a member of the Senate.

**Herriot was Daladier's schoolmaster and also his Premier in 1924 and 1926.**

As much as anyone can be in the maze of French politics he is leader of the Radicals and therefore, in combination with Blum, a man always on the verge of power. Neither of them is, perhaps, the man for this angry Paris crowd, especially Herriot, whom it hunted last night. In spite of their personal integrity they cannot escape blame for the sinister confusion of French politics in the post-war decade.

Herriot was over forty when he entered Parliament as deputy for Lyons. In 1924 he found himself at the head of a successful Radical-Socialist party, with which he formed the first "Cartel" Government. His years of office (1924-1926) were the bad years for France that ended by Poincaré throwing the lifebelt; but fat, black, hairy Herriot has always bobbed up again.

He survived 1926 to be Premier again in 1932 and left once more because he stood by the principle of paying war debts. For this Herriot will always be notable, even if unsuccessful.

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**SIRENS AVOIDED**



## JUDGMENT RESERVED IN CAPT. BEER CASE

Condonation Question Dwelt On.

OBJECTION RAISED BY MR. SHELDON

Judgment was reserved by His Lordship the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice A. D. A. Macgregor at the Supreme Court this morning in the case in which Captain Laurence Nelson Beer, former master of the s.s. Kamo, made a claim for three months' wages on grounds of wrongful dismissal from the Foo Hong S.S. Company, P. and O. Building, of which Mr. S. T. Williamson, is manager.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall-Brutton, was for the plaintiff and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. W. A. Mackinlay appeared for the defence.

The evidence of Mr. A. Ramsay, the Marine Superintendent of Messrs. S. T. Williamson and Company, having completed, Mr. Sheldon said that it was the submission of the defence that, in connection with the Ocksew Island incident, the s.s. Kamo, when in charge of Captain Beer, did go ashore on a reef or rock off the Island.

**Submerged Junk Theory.** He referred to Captain Beer's evidence in which the latter said that the ship hit something when only a quarter to half a mile from the Island. He also referred to the evidence of the wireless operator and the S.O.S. message which Captain Beer was said to have ordered, and refuted the statements that the ship could have struck a submerged junk or fishing stakes.

He said that soundings around the ship at the time showed that there was 70 feet of water, and he submitted that in such a case fishing stakes could be ruled out. As for the submerged junk it rather sounded, as his Lordship had remarked, a smile to Mohamed's coffin—suspended between Heaven and earth.

Evidence had been given by the Chief Officer (Mr. Brown) the Chief Engineer (Mr. Cairns) to the effect that the ship was only 100-150 yards from the Island, while Mr. Ellefsen, the Chief Officer of the s.s. Hal Ching had stated in evidence that he had seen something in the nature of a reef at least he had seen something there, he added.

**Message Made And Not Sent.** Mr. Sheldon further submitted that if Captain Beer had struck something which he did not consider necessary to report, then why did he make out the message, which he later cancelled, to the effect that the ship was stranded, and referred to the remarks of the Chief Officer to the Captain immediately after the incident, "Don't worry I always stand by a man when he is down."

The submission of the defence was that the ship struck a rock close to the Island on the night of July. Although the Admiralty charts did not show this obstruction it was nevertheless considered unsafe to go so near to the land, and a mariner was not entitled to assume that there was a safe passage at that point, he said.

**Question Of Conspiracy.** Mr. Sheldon said that the only thing which prejudiced the evidence of the Chief Officer and Chief Engineer was the question of conspiracy. The only reason he could think of was that they had been threatened to be reported by the Captain for the San To incident.

Mr. Sheldon also asked that it should be believed that Mr. Williamson, or any other ship-owner, would never make such a remark as, "having something to say if the master should log any of the officers." This was a plain, ridiculous, and an obvious untruth, he considered.

Mr. Sheldon also referred to the denial by Mr. Ramsay that Captain Beer had been told to dismiss the Chinese boatwain, but suggested that he was dismissed by Captain Beer himself because he was a dangerous witness against him.

Mr. Sheldon pointed out that the voluntary evidence by Mr. Ellis, the former officer of the s.s. Katinka, in connection with the Cambodia Point incident, was not challenged. Further Captain Beer was instrumental in having Mr. Ellis dismissed on arrival in Hong Kong, and yet gave him a reference as being efficient and capable.

Referring to the addition made to the Harbour Office report by Mr. Brown, Mr. Sheldon said that a note of the incident was already made in the log book, and he submitted that it should be believed that the Harbour Office report was correct.

## Ecuador's President.



Doctor Jose Maria Velasco Ibarra who recently was elected President of Ecuador to fill the unexpired term of Don Juan Martinez Mera, who was impeached last October. Dr. Ibarra aroused a storm in the republic by forming an alliance with Colombia, which was said to have endangered Ecuador's friendly relations with Peru.

## MR. S. SIMPSON INJURED.

### Nitric Acid Burns From Explosion.

Mr. G. T. Bird, Chief Watchman at the Taihou Dockyard, reported to the Police that Mr. Sydney Simpson, a chemist of 4, Sui Wan Road, received nitric acid burns on the face and head, caused by an explosion of acid when he was cleaning a glass stirring rod yesterday.

Mr. Simpson was attended by the Dockyard Company's Medical Officer, and removed to his home. His condition is not serious.

### Personal Para.

Mrs. C. C. Wu, widow of the late Dr. C. C. Wu, and family returned to the Colony last evening by the s.s. Tai Shan.

Among the passengers yesterday by the Blue Funnel liner Patroclus were Dr. J. B. Ferreira da Silva, Consul General for Portugal in Shanghai, who, with his wife and family, is en route to Lisbon.

The marriage is announced to take place shortly between Lieutenant Philip Roger Merrick Wisden, of the 2nd Bn. East Lancashire Regiment, and Miss Madeleine Valerie Honigsberg, residing at the Peninsula Hotel.

Mr. R. E. L. Beardsworth, who is a junior partner in the firm of Nielsen & Malcolm, (Shanghai), arrived in Hong Kong in the s.s. Trier to establishing a branch of their business in South China, with offices in Canton.

Sir Elly Kadoorie, K.B.E., and Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie will be passengers by the Empress of Britain, arriving on Saturday, 17th. Inst. They will be passing through on their way back to Shanghai after several months in Europe.

**"Contraband And Drunkards."** Mr. Sheldon also objected to the question of "contraband and drunkards" and said that such questions should never have been put to the witnesses.

In the case of the Amherst Rock grounding, Mr. Sheldon said the course was plotted so as to pass three miles from the rocks, but when the incident occurred the ship was only one mile from the rocks.

In the case of Ocksew Island Mr. Sheldon asked if it was not too much for the owners to expect that the master should be on the bridge when approaching such dangerous waters. In this case, the Captain could not offer any proof of exhaustion, but was at the time asleep.

He submitted that Captain Beer had not taken sufficient steps to see that his ship was properly navigated. Further he was careful to withhold the facts of the incident until it was put to him, added Mr. Sheldon.

In concluding Mr. Sheldon pointed out that Mr. Kirby, the Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, had not claimed that Captain Beer was wrongfully dismissed, but had stated that he was suspended, and that the fact of his suspension was not challenged.

## FULTON BEING TOWED TO JUNK BAY

Wishart Slightly Damaged.

CONSUL GENERAL'S THANKS

Mr. Douglas Jenkin, the Consul General of the United States in Hong Kong, in an interview with a China Mail representative this morning, said that he would like to express the appreciation of the American community to the British Naval authorities and others who rendered valuable assistance to the U.S.S. Fulton.

He said that he was kept fully informed throughout by the Commodore's Office, the Radio Office, and the Water Police.

Mr. Douglas Jenkin said that he would make an official call on the Commodore to-day and thank him personally.

Mr. Jenkin added that a Naval vessel from Manila would be despatched to Hong Kong to take over the crew of the Fulton, who are now quartered at the Naval Club, the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, and on H. M. S. Cumberland.

The Fulton is being towed into Junk Bay by the British Naval tug, the Poet Chaucer, with H. M. S. Whitshed standing up.

It is learned that H.M.S. Wishart was damaged above the water line when she came alongside the Fulton, but it is understood that the damage is not considered serious.

### Fulton Catches Fire.

While on piracy patrol in Bias Bay at 8 p.m. last night the United States gunboat Fulton caught on fire, and, despite all efforts, was completely gutted.

The officers and crew had to abandon ship and were taken aboard the British destroyer, H.M.S. Wishart. The China Navigation steamer, Taisan, also rescued some of the officers and crew.

The rescued were brought back to Hong Kong early this morning when Lieutenant G. J. Phelan, of the Fulton, gave full credit to the Commander of the Wishart, Commander Tod, for saving the lives of many of his crew. The manner in which the British destroyer approached the burning vessel, de-

scribed the heavy sea, was described as remarkable and daring seamanship.

**Order To Abandon Ship.** First news of the disaster was received in Hong Kong by wireless from H.M.S. Wishart, which was (Continued on Page 7)

To-day's Short Story.

## A Madison Square Arabian Night

By O. Henry.

TO Carson Chalmers, in his apartment near the square, Phillips brought the evening mail. Besides the routine correspondence there were two letters bearing the same foreign postmark.

One of the incoming parcels contained a photograph of a woman. The other contained an interminable letter, over which Chalmers hung, absorbed, for a long time. The letter was from another woman; and it contained poisoned barbs, sweetly dipped in honey, and feathered with innuendoes concerning the photographed woman.

Chalmers tore this letter into a thousand bits and began to wear out his expensive rug by striding back and forth upon it. Thus an animal from the jungle acts when it is caged, and thus a caged man acts when he is housed in a jungle of doubt.

By and by the restless mood was overcome. The rug was not an enchanted one. For sixteen feet he could travel along it; three thousand miles was beyond its power to aid.

Phillips appeared. He never entered; he invariably appeared, like a well-oiled genie.

"Will you dine here, sir, or out?" he asked.

"Here," said Chalmers, "and in half an hour." He listened glumly to the January blasts making an agonized trombone of the empty street. "Wait," he said to the disappearing genie. "As I came home across the end of the square I saw many men standing there in rows. There was one mounted upon something, talking. Why do these men stand in rows, and why are they there?"

"They are homeless men, sir," said Phillips. "The man standing on the box tries to get lodging for them for the night. People come spite the heavy sea, was described as remarkable and daring seamanship."

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## LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The M.V. "Malayan Prince" from New York sailed from Los Angeles 20th Ult. and is expected here on Tuesday.

Only fourteen of the Cambridge-shire prizes won by subscribers to the last Irish Sweepstake remain to be paid. A total of 2,760 prizes have been claimed amounting to £1,672,698 1s. 8d.

All the members of the Hong Kong Chinese Choral Society are looking forward to the big concert in the Hong Kong University Hall on Friday, March 23. This will be their first appearance before the public.

Three cases of small-pox, one imported, were included in the list of notifiable diseases recorded by the Medical Department during the 24 hours ended yesterday. Other cases were meningitis (3), one paratyphoid fever, and one enteric fever.

When fire broke out at Pak Tin Village, Shamshulpo, shortly after 11 o'clock last night, ten huts were destroyed. Fire appliances were rushed to the outbreak, but the blaze had gained such a grip, that the huts were destroyed before the flames could be controlled.

Charged with the larceny of 11 bottles of Chinese medicine, "Car-damom," from the s.s. Kwong Chow, Li Tai, who had two previous convictions, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

A one-act play from Shakespeare will be presented at the Chinese Theatre this afternoon at 5.15 p.m. In which many prominent members of the local Chinese Dramatic Society are taking part. This will be followed by a performance of the Chinese Opera, "The Legend of the White Snake," at 7.15 p.m.

At seven o'clock this morning, four armed men entered 180, Jaffa Road, Wanchai, stole money and jewellery and successfully made off.

The Second Annual General Meeting of the Children's Playgrounds Association will be held at the Public Works Department Board Room next Monday, at 6.15 p.m.

Pleading guilty to the larceny of a door shutter, Chan Shui, who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

An unknown Chinese was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from the effects of immersion. The police assume that he fell into the harbour from the Yun On Wharf. He is still unconscious.

While working cargo on board the s.s. Tinhow, a coolie, Low Mun, fell into No. 3 hold and received internal injuries to which he succumbed at 4.45 p.m. yesterday at the Kowloon Hospital.

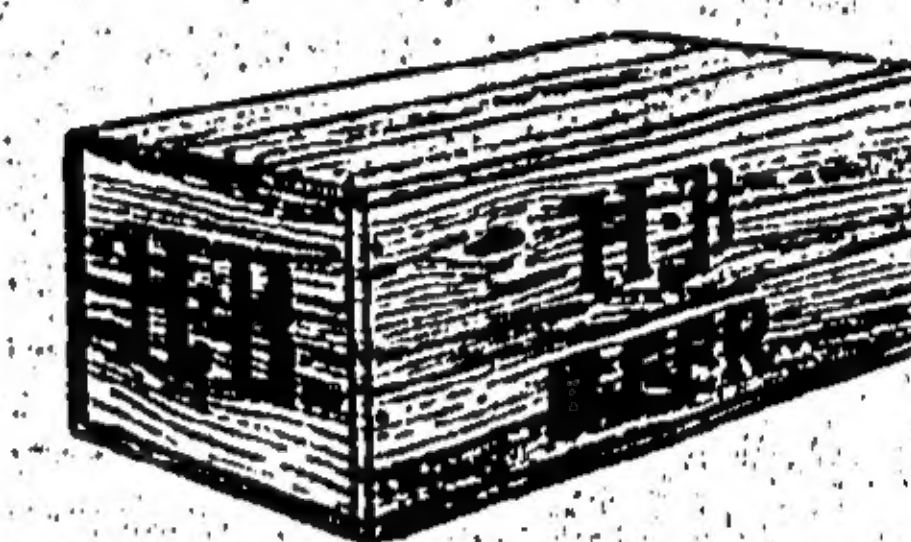
Wong Yik, the foreman who was injured in the explosion at a cracker factory at 10, Pak Tai Street, Shamshulpo on Tuesday, died in the Kowloon Hospital during the early hours of this morning.

A Chinese youth, Tung Kit, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday, suffering from the effects of poisoning. Tung attempted to commit suicide at Wong Kin Boarding House in 32 Wooning Street.

Students have found the Chinese M.C.A. (Chinese Department) an unreliable agency for the dissemination of information, and have decided to form a new organization, the Chinese Students' Association, to disseminate information and to represent the Chinese students in Hong Kong.



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## ITALIAN LECTURE ON MISSIONARIES.

At Hong Kong Hotel On April 18.

On April 18, at 5.30 p.m. in the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel, and under the auspices of the Right Reverend Father Braga, Superior of the Salesian Fathers in China, will be held a lecture in Italian on "The life and work of the missionaries in China."

## SHIPPING MERGER HITCH.

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The National Liberal member for East Wolverhampton, Mr. Geoffrey Mander, said that Mr. Franklin, President of the International Mercantile Marine, alleged that the merger was a gross violation of the rights of Oceanic Company stockholders, and therefore would withhold his consent.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, was unable to comment on the alleged merger. He said that the Government would not render assistance to the work done by Parliament in connection with the Bill.

## CHINESE WOMAN SENTENCED.

A Character In The Police Court.

Chan Mut-kwai, alias Chan Shui-ying, a 20-year-old Chinese girl, was sentenced to three months' hard labour for loitering with intent to commit a felony in Des Voeux Road, by Mr. S. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Chan, who has a police record, is said to make a habit of hanging round crowds and opening ladies' bags or picking pockets. She is stated to be an opium addict, and smokes 40 cents worth of opium a day.

## DOG BROUGHT FROM NEW TERRITORIES.

Serious Offence With Rabies Prevalent.

A dog, brought from the New Territories, was written permit from the Chinese Government. The dog was a black and white, named "Wing," aged 2, and was brought from the New Territories by Mr. Cheong, who had been in the New Territories for some time. The dog was brought to Hong Kong for sale, and was found to be infected with rabies. It was therefore ordered to be destroyed.





# FOOD AND HOME ECONOMICS



## JAMS, JELLIES MAY BE MADE FROM THE CAN

Preserved Delicacies of  
Home Can Be Made By  
Use Of Canned Fruits.

No home maker needs to be without home-made jams, jellies, preserves and relishes, whether he has for some reason failed to stock her storeroom with these delicacies, or the store on hand has been depleted.

Canned fruits properly blended and cooked with extra sugar make preserves which are quite as good as those made from fresh fruit, and they may be made in either small or large quantities at any time during the year. The following recipes will suggest many other combinations which keep the pantry well stocked throughout the entire year.

**Apricot And Pineapple Preserves**  
Mix together  
1 can apricots cut in small pieces  
1 can grated pineapple, and  
3 cups of sugar. Boil slowly for about forty minutes. Place in jars and cover with par. in or use at once.

**Tomato Relish**  
1 No. 2 can tomatoes.  
2 grated onions  
3 grated apples  
2 teaspoons cinnamon  
1 teaspoon salt  
½ teaspoon cloves  
½ teaspoon allspice  
¼ cup vinegar  
1½ cups sugar. Boil until thick (about 80 minutes).

**Raspberry Jam**  
1 can red or black raspberries.  
Add  
2 cups of sugar. Boil one-half hour.

**Peach Conserve**  
1 can peaches cut in small pieces  
1 cup washed, ground, seedless raisins  
1 orange, juice and grated rind  
1 lemon, juice, and  
8 cups sugar. Boil slowly about forty minutes. Seal while hot.

## Left-Overs Made Into Good Wheat Macaroons

Whole wheat macaroons are delicious small cakes that may be made from stale whole wheat bread. There are so often slices that become dry in the bread box. Here is a splendid way to utilize a left over:

**Whole Wheat Macaroons**  
1 egg  
½ cup sugar  
1 cup dry whole wheat bread crumbs  
½ teaspoon vanilla  
Beat egg thoroughly, add sugar and beat well. Add vanilla and crumbs. When thoroughly mixed on a greased baking sheet, flatten the balls with a spoon or fork. Bake in a moderate oven 15 to 20 minutes.

## STRAWBERRY AND PINEAPPLE SALAD

Chopped Mint Gives  
Last Touch.

1 small fresh pineapple  
1½ cups strawberries  
1 tablespoon chopped mint leaves  
Peel pineapple and remove eyes. Cut in slices and then in cubes. Chill. Wash, hull and chill the strawberries. Combine the fruit and arrange on crisp lettuce leaves or chicory. Sprinkle with the mint and serve with fruit salad dressing. Canned pineapple may be used in this recipe. The mint is a masterly touch.

## Cheese Sandwich Spread.

Scraps of cream cheese may be made into a sandwich spread by mixing them with butter and milk or a little cream.

This can be spread on thin, water-like crackers, made into sandwiches, and served with salad.

## NEW RECIPE GOES TOGETHER IN A MINUTE

Ham And Eggs Dish  
Ascends To Top When  
Well Combined.

The general tendency in modern cooking seems to be toward greater simplification of both the ingredients of a recipe and the manner in which it is prepared. This is as it should be, in homes where the time allotted for meal preparation must necessarily be limited. On the other hand, many women who enjoy the art of cooking, are in a position literally to spend hours of creative endeavour in their kitchens. Such recipes as the ones given to-day cannot be put together in a jiffy—but oh, the pleasing results to be obtained.

Everyday ham and eggs can ascend to starchy heights when artfully combined with aspic—the result being a perfect first course for a smart luncheon.

**Eggs Bouches Coquette**  
Aspic for this dish is made by simply heating a can of consommé, to which has been added one teaspoon of tarragon vinegar and one teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce, to the boiling point. Then one tablespoon of softened gelatine is thoroughly dissolved in the hot soup.

Into individual umbrae molds pour one tablespoon of aspic. Then arrange a small thin slice of ham that has been cut to fit the mold. While the aspic is becoming firm place a sufficient number of eggs in a saucepan of cold water and allow to cook only eight minutes—this includes time water is coming to a boil. Remove from fire and let cool in the water. Then remove shells carefully as eggs are not hard cooked. Place an egg on top of each slice of ham and aspic and cover with remaining aspic that has been kept warm. Garnish with sprigs of watercress and dots of piment.

The sauce for this dish is very fine. Chop fine one tablespoon watercress, one tablespoon green celery leaves, one tablespoon parsley and one teaspoon chives. Also one small minced. Mix all well together with one tablespoon prepared mustard, one-fourth teaspoon pepper and three-quarters of a teaspoon salt.

In a separate bowl mash two hard cooked egg yolks and gradually add three-quarters of a cup of salad oil and one tablespoon malt vinegar. Mix greens well with this mixture and serve in a separate dish.

If the family relishes mushrooms you will do well to make this dish:

**Mushroom Souffle**  
Make a cream sauce, using one cup of the liquid the mushrooms were boiled in and a little cream. When this mixture cools add to three well beaten egg yolks, then add one cup of chopped mushrooms. Beat the egg whites until stiff, fold into mixture and pour in well buttered baking dish. Bake in a slow oven, about 325 degrees for 40 minutes. Be sure to stand the dish in a pan of hot water.

## Apple And Date Salad.

4 cups tart apples (cut in pieces)  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1½ tablespoons lemon juice  
1 cup dates, cut in pieces.  
½ teaspoon salt.  
Mix apples, dates, lemon juice, salt and sugar. Moisten with mayonnaise and mix thoroughly. Chill. Serve on shredded lettuce and garnish with extra mayonnaise and whole pecan nuts.

## TO FLAVOUR FRENCH DRESSING

To flavour French dressing, take the smallest piece of garlic possible, thread a needle, run it through the garlic and let it hang for 10 minutes in the bottle of salad dressing. Then pull it out by the thread.

When getting ready to use, place the needle in the dressing and allow it to remain for a few minutes.

## Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

**TIFFIN**  
Fried Pork Sausages  
Mashed Potatoes  
Beef a la Vinalgrete  
Celery, Lettuce and Egg Salad  
Alexandra Pudding

**DINNER**  
French Vegetable Soup  
Boudinette  
Mixed Grill  
Pheasant Creams  
Tomato Salad  
Canary Sponge  
Lemon Custard Sauce  
Beef a la Vinalgrete  
1½ to 2 lb. of cold boiled beef, salt, pepper, ¼ oz. of gelatine, salad, 1 glass of white wine, 3 cloves, 1 tablespoonful of vinegar, ½ pint of water, 1 bunch of herbs, 1 tablespoon of chopped parsley. Beetroot. Cut a slice about 3 inches thick right across a round of boiled beef, remove all the fat possible and cut the beef into neat fillets. Put the water, wine, herbs, cloves, salt and pepper into a pan, and add the fillets of beef, and simmer without the lid on the pan very gently until the liquor is reduced to about 1 gill. Remove the meat, press it between 2 dishes until cold. Melt the gelatine in the liquor, add the vinegar and strain. Add the chopped parsley and season to taste. Leave until cold but not set. When nearly setting, pour this gently with a spoon over the fillets of beef, coating them completely. When set arrange fillets neatly on lettuce and decorate.

**Alexandra Pudding**  
3 eggs, 3 gr. sugar, 3 oz. bread crumbs, ½ a lemon, a teaspoonful of milk, a little jam, puff paste. Line a pie dish with puff paste, and cover the bottom with jam. Mix the bread crumbs, sugar, juice of the lemon, and the rind (grated) with the milk and the eggs well beaten. Beat all thoroughly together, pour it into the dish, over the jam, and bake it for ½ an hour.

**Boudinette**  
Take ½ a pound of any kind of fish, free from bone. Mince very fine, and mix it with a quarter of a pound of mashed potatoes, add a little sauce, anchovy, chopped parsley and a little melted butter. Otherwise a tablespoon of carnation cream would serve the purpose. Bind the mixture with the yolks of 1 or 2 eggs. Make into cakes and dip into the white of the eggs and brown breadcrumbs. Fry and serve on pieces of fried bread.

**Pheasant Creams**  
1 lb. cooked pheasant, 1 gill of cream, cucumber skin, grated nutmeg, ¼ pint of Veloute sauce, chillies, ¼ oz. of gelatine, ½ pint of aspic, salt, pepper. Rinse some small mould with cold water, then put a little aspic jelly at the bottom of each and let it set. Decorate with fancy shapes cut from cucumber and chillie skins and pour a spoonful of liquid aspic over the decorations and let this set. Free the pheasant from skin, bone and sinews and weight. Put it through a mincer and pound until smooth. Melt the gelatine in 2 tablespoonful of water and strain it into the sauce, warm up, mix with the pounded meat, season with salt and pepper and a pinch of grated nutmeg, and rub through a hair sieve. When cool, whip the cream and stir it lightly to the puree and when cold fill the moulds, with this mixture and put them on ice to set. Turn out carefully and dish in a circle on a silver dish. Decorate with chopped apple and serve.

**French Vegetable Soup**  
Melt 2 oz. of butter in a saucepan. Cut up into small pieces: 4 large potatoes, 8 small onions, 2 small turnips, 1 carrot and 1 stick of celery. Let all cook in the butter for a few minutes. Then add 8 pints of white stock and let the soup boil slowly until the vegetables are quite soft. Strain through a sieve and rub the vegetables through a muslin cloth. Return all to the saucepan, and add 1½ pints of mince, taploca, stir while the soup boils or it will be lumpy. Then season.

**Apple Hint**  
Apples will not keep when they are cut unless they are kept in a jar of vinegar. Then they will keep for a long time.

aside for 10 minutes until the taploca is cooked stirring now and again. Just before serving add some very finely-chopped parsley and seasoning to taste.

**Canary Soup**  
Take 1½ cupfuls of sugar, and add the grated rind and juice of ½ lemon, ¼ teaspoon of salt, ½ cupful of cold water. Beat the yolks of 8 eggs until lemon colour and add to the mixture, then 2 cupfuls of flour to which has been added 1 teaspoonful of baking powder. Whip the whites of the eggs stiffly, and add carefully at the last minute. Steam for ¾ of an hour and serve with lemon custard sauce.

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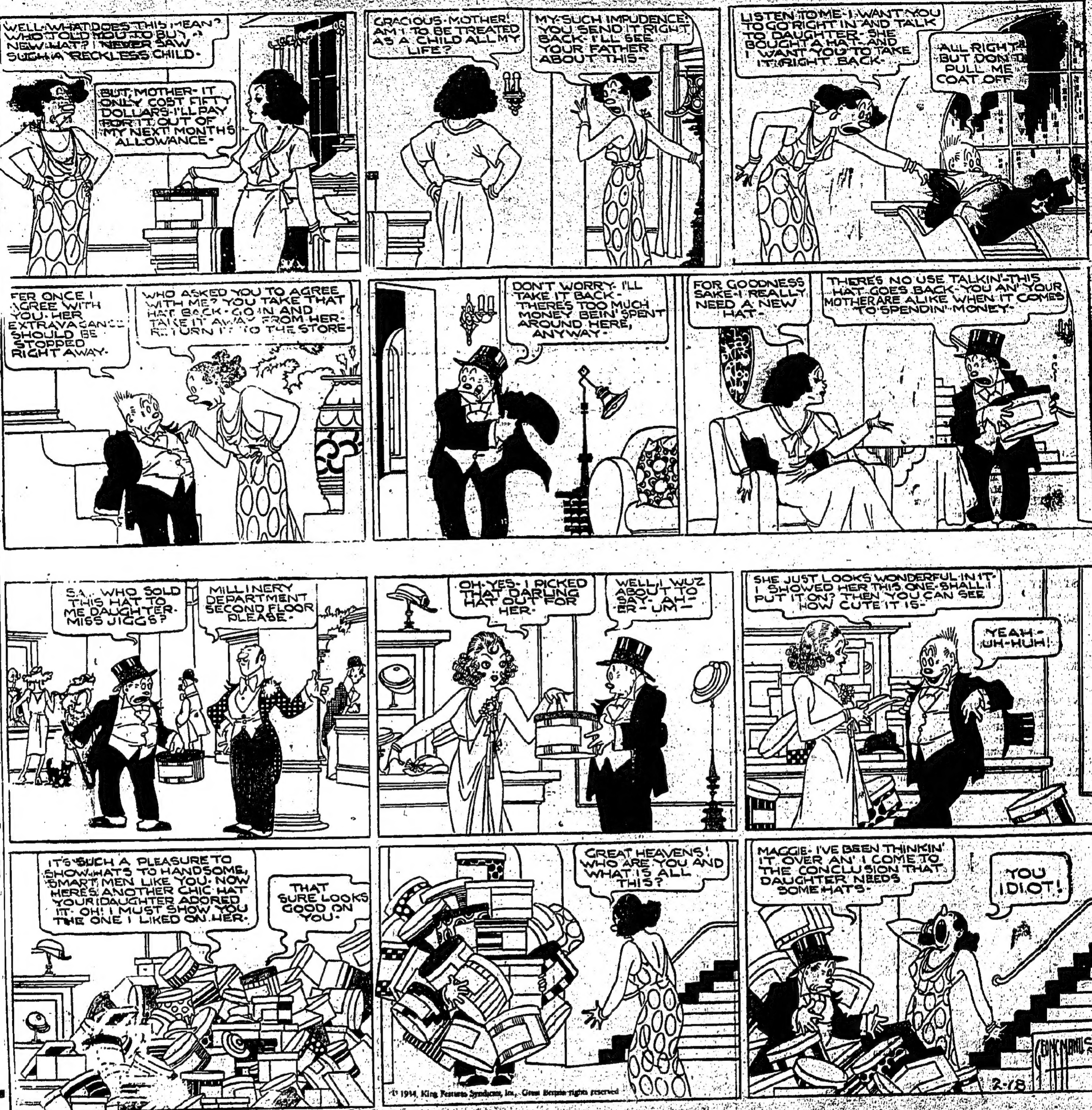
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*NELLORE	7,000	5th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NALDERA	16,000	5th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SIRDHANA	8,000	6th Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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## BRITISH SILVER IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Effect Of Withdrawal  
From Currency.

### AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT

Cape Town.  
Full particulars of the position caused by the withdrawal of British silver from currency in the Union are given in the annual report of the Auditor-General.

The total value of silver coin which was withdrawn and received at the Pretoria branch of the Royal Mint up to March 31, is stated to be £1,436,797. The cost of withdrawal charged during the year to the Mint Silver Bullion Account amounted to £16,037, of which £7,251 was paid to the commercial banks as commission.

For all British coin delivered to the Mint an equivalent amount of Union silver coin will be issued to the banks with the exception of £500,000, the amount agreed upon between the Treasury and the banks as being surplus to the requirements of the country.

Redemption of British Coin.  
This amount has been withdrawn from circulation, and the face value has been refunded to the banks and charged against a special provision on the loan estimates in the proportion of £190,000 to the South African Reserve Bank, £190,000 to Barclays Bank, and £120,000 to the Standard Bank.

The British Government has agreed to redeem the whole of the British silver coin, without distinction between various finenesses. For a period of three years the amount to be redeemed is not to exceed £100,000 a year face value.

After three years the question of expediting the rate of redemption will be examined. No arrangement has yet been made with the British Government regarding any portion of British silver coin not repatriated but used for re-minting into Union silver coin.

Apart from the melting of coin in 1932-33 of a face value of £100,000, a further amount to a face value of £475,988 had been re-minted during the year.—Reuter.

## FRANCE'S MEN OF THE MOMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

In the sound and fury of yesterday, before Doumergue came to the rescue, Herriot and Blum were whispered, but not so loudly as Tardieu. In many ways Tardieu looks like the man, but I do not think he has earned the love of the people by being the great opportunist, and the U.S.A. fan of politics, who says "Sure" instead of "Yes," and makes large statements to the effect that he has no wife or children because his life is dedicated to France.

But you have to throw down this sort of copper coinage on the political counter, and Tardieu has the advantage of the label "brilliant." He was a journalist before the war, a soldier for part of it, and Clemenceau's Lieutenant at Versailles. He is a Parisian, and has been Prime Minister twice. His last Ministry fell in 1932, and since that date he has been dormant; but he went to Italy in 1933 and came back bursting with admiration for the Mussolini regime. He may be no dictator, but he has no respect for democratic machinery unless it fulfils his purpose.

### Marshal Foch's Advice

Among the other ex-Premiers who are expected to squish themselves into power are Laval, associate in the news with Tardieu, and Barthou, an old associate of Poincaré's as Minister of Justice and a pre-war Prime Minister. When last in office he was considered excellently sound and safe.

Daladier, Chautemps, Sarraut, Paul-Boncour, Poincaré, Steeg, Millerand, and Maréchal would also support Doumergue if needed. But Daladier and Chautemps can hardly be the star-men of reconstruction.

There are also Galloux, who was Prime Minister in the Agadir crisis of 1911, and Etienne, who was the hero of a most "official" "unofficial" visit to this country in 1931. There remains the Commander-in-Chief of the French Army.

Foch said on his deathbed: "If France is in danger, send for me." Foch is in danger, and the French people are in danger. It is not only the French people who are in danger, but the world. The French people are in danger, but the world is in danger. The French people are in danger, but the world is in danger.

## President Taft Hits Whale.



San Francisco. . . With a terrific impact, the Dollar liner, President Taft, bound for New York from San Francisco, struck a giant whale about 1,027 miles north-west of Balboa. The whale can be seen on the surface at the bow of the liner a moment after the collision. The liner's wireless operator messaged: "I thought we hit a rock. The boat trembled violently, and the passengers all ran out on deck." The whale appeared stunned after the shock and remained on the surface, forcing the President Taft to reverse and detour around it.

## ST. PATRICK'S BALL

Official Programme  
For To-morrow

### DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The official programme for St. Patrick's Ball, which takes place to-morrow evening at the Peninsula Hotel, commences at 9.20 p.m., when the President, Vice-Presidents, and Past President will assemble at the main entrance of the Peninsula Hotel to receive H.E. The Governor's party who will arrive at 9.30 p.m. At 9.30 p.m. the Reception Committee will assemble all other official guests at the dais in the Ball Room, and at 9.40 H.E. The Governor and party will be piped into the Ball Room. Miss Elsie Lane will then present sprigs of shamrock.

The Official Guests will be, H.E. The Governor and Lady Peel, H.E. Major General O. C. Borrett and Mrs. Borrett, His Lordship the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice MacGregor and Mrs. MacGregor, Mr. M. J. Quist, Commodore F. Elliott and Mrs. Elliott, The Hon. Sir Thomas Southorn and Lady Southorn, Professor F. A. Redmond and Mrs. Redmond, Mrs. Moore, The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster and Mrs. Alabaster, The Hon. Mr. E. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson and Mrs. Henderson, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock and Lady Pollock, the Hon. Sir William Shenton and Miss Y. Shenton, the Hon. Sir William Horrell, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Thomas, Lady Thomson, Mrs. Hosford, Mrs. Scott Harston, Mr. B. H. C. Hallows and Mr. F. P. R. James.

### Dance Music

The dance programme will commence at 9.30 with the well known song-hit Shuffle off to Buffalo, followed by Sweetheart Darling, I'm at Heaven's, Erinalla, Weavin' of the Green, Koraple, Gypsy Fiddles, Ellen Alannah, Three Wishes, Thanks, The Mountains of Mourne, The Day you came Along, Forty Second Street, Father O'Flynn, Jig, Did You Ever See A Dream Walking, I'm Young and Healthy, Slieve Donard, and closes with the National Anthem.

A special programme of music has been arranged during the buffet supper, which will be served from 11.15 p.m. to 12.45 a.m., the items being: Brian Boru, Sheamus O'Brien, Killarney, Lily, of Killarney, Londonderry Air, Song of My Heart, The Shamrock O'Donnell, Abi, Irish Reel Medley and Hills of Donegal.

Special parties will be run at 1.15 a.m., 1.45, 2.10, and 2.30 a.m., while the Peak train will run at frequent intervals.

Commander-in-Chief, a Belgian by birth, a dry and forceful character who, made ill-health, takes orders from him when he was sent to help Poland against the Russians. His military ability is known, his diplomatic potentialities unknown, but he is a man. If the French Republic is to survive, it must have a strong and capable leader. The French people are in danger, but the world is in danger. The French people are in danger, but the world is in danger.

## A MADISON SQUARE ARABIAN NIGHT

(Continued from Page 12.)

"No, no," said Chalmers, earnestly, "you interest me very much. Did all your portraits reveal some unpleasant trait, or were there some that did not suffer from the ordeal of your peculiar brush?"

"Some? Yes," said Plumer. "Children generally, a good many women and a sufficient number of men. All people aren't bad, you know. When they were all right the pictures were all right. As I said, I don't explain it, but I'm telling you facts."

On Chalmers's writing-table lay the photograph that he had received that day in the foreign mail. Ten minutes later he had Plumer at work making a sketch from it in pastels. At the end of an hour the artist rose and stretched wearily.

"It's done," he yawned. "You'll excuse me for being so long. I got interested in the job. Lord! but I'm tired. No bed last night, you know. Guess it'll have to be good-night now, O Commander of the Faithful!"

Chalmers went as far as the door with him and slipped some bills into his hand.

"Oh! I'll take 'em," said Plumer. "All that's included in the bill. Thanks. And for the very good dinner. I shall sleep on feathers to-night and dream of Bagdad. I hope it won't turn out to be a dream in the morning. Farewell, most excellent Caliph!"

Again Chalmers paced restlessly upon his rug. But his best lay as far from the table whereon lay the pastel sketch as the room would permit. Twice, thrice, he tried to approach it, but failed. He could see the dun and gold and brown of the colours, but there was a wall about it built by his fears that kept him at a distance. He sat down and tried to calm himself. He sprang up and rang for Phillips.

"There is a young artist in this building," he said, "—a Mr. Reizeman—do you know which is his apartment?"

"Top floor, front, sir," said Phillips.

"Go up and ask him to favour me with his presence here for a few minutes."

Reizeman came at once. Chalmers introduced himself.

"Mr. Reizeman," said he, "there is a little pastel sketch on yonder table. I would be glad if you will give me your opinion of it as to its artistic merits and as a picture."

"The young artist advanced to the table and took up the sketch. Chalmers' half-turned away, leaning upon the back of a chair."

"How—do—you—find it?" he asked slowly.

"As a drawing," said the artist, "I can't praise it enough. It's the work of a master—bold and fine and true. It purples like a little. I haven't seen any pastel work near as good in years."

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For a third time when 30 miles from Pretoria had been covered, the police car passed the runaway again and halted broadside across the canopy of Mowbray, beyond Potgietersrus, compelling the liquor runners to stop.  
The liquor runner was inhibited in court and the driver of the car was fined 50. He said the fugitives did not know the police were on board.—Reuter.





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Editor's Request Before  
The Commons.

INTRICATE LAW QUESTIONS.

London, To-day.

Dealing with the events leading up to Mr. Lennox Simpson's transfer from Harbin to Dairen, last year, following the clash between the "Harbin Times," of which Mr. Simpson was Editor, and the Manchukuo authorities, the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, in the House of Commons, yesterday, stated that in response to Mr. Simpson's request, the Government were examining his claims.

They were in consultation with the Legation in the Far East. Intricate questions of law were involved, but the examination was now almost completed.—Reuter.

**"BLUESHIRTS" BAN**

New Measure Passed  
In Irish Dail.

Dublin, To-day.

The Irish Free State Dail has passed, by 77 votes to 61, the "Blueshirt" Bill, entitled "An Act to restrict the wearing or carrying of uniforms or badges and banners and other such articles."—Reuter.

**BRITAIN'S  
DEFENCE  
SYSTEM**

Service Co-Ordination  
A Failure.

LORD LONDONDERRY'S SPEECH

London, To-day.

Lord Londonderry, the British Secretary for Air, replying for the Government in the House of Lords debate on co-ordinating the three fighting services under Ministry of Defence, said that the plan of control by a single Secretary of State of two Departments, with deputy in one, was recognised as a failure and was dropped in 1921.

A single Minister in peacetime would have such multifarious duties and responsibilities that it would be quite impossible for one man to deal with all the activities involved.

There was a definite limit to wise rationalisation, and that limit would, in his judgment, be passed by any attempt to set up a single Ministry of Defence. In time of a war, effective control of the three services would, at a very early stage, pass beyond the capacity of any single Minister.

The appointment of a Minister super-imposed on the existing organisation, would weaken the authority of the Ministers at the head

**DEFEAT FOR U.S.  
ADMINISTRATION.**

House Resolution On  
Appropriation Bill.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL—  
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Washington, To-day.

The House of Representatives has defeated a resolution to send the independent offices of the Appropriation Bill to Conference, thereby defeating the Administration, which had hoped that the conference would compromise the Senate amendment, eliminating most of the reductions in the veterans' compensation and the restoration of the Government salary cuts.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

of the Service Department. After outlining the present organization and the co-ordination work of the Committee of Imperial Defence, Lord Londonderry said that the present system was well suited to the British constitution, and ensured that the whole situation was continuously achieving one of the essential purposes of any defensive system, namely, the proper co-ordination of the activities of all the Departments concerned.—British Wireless Service.

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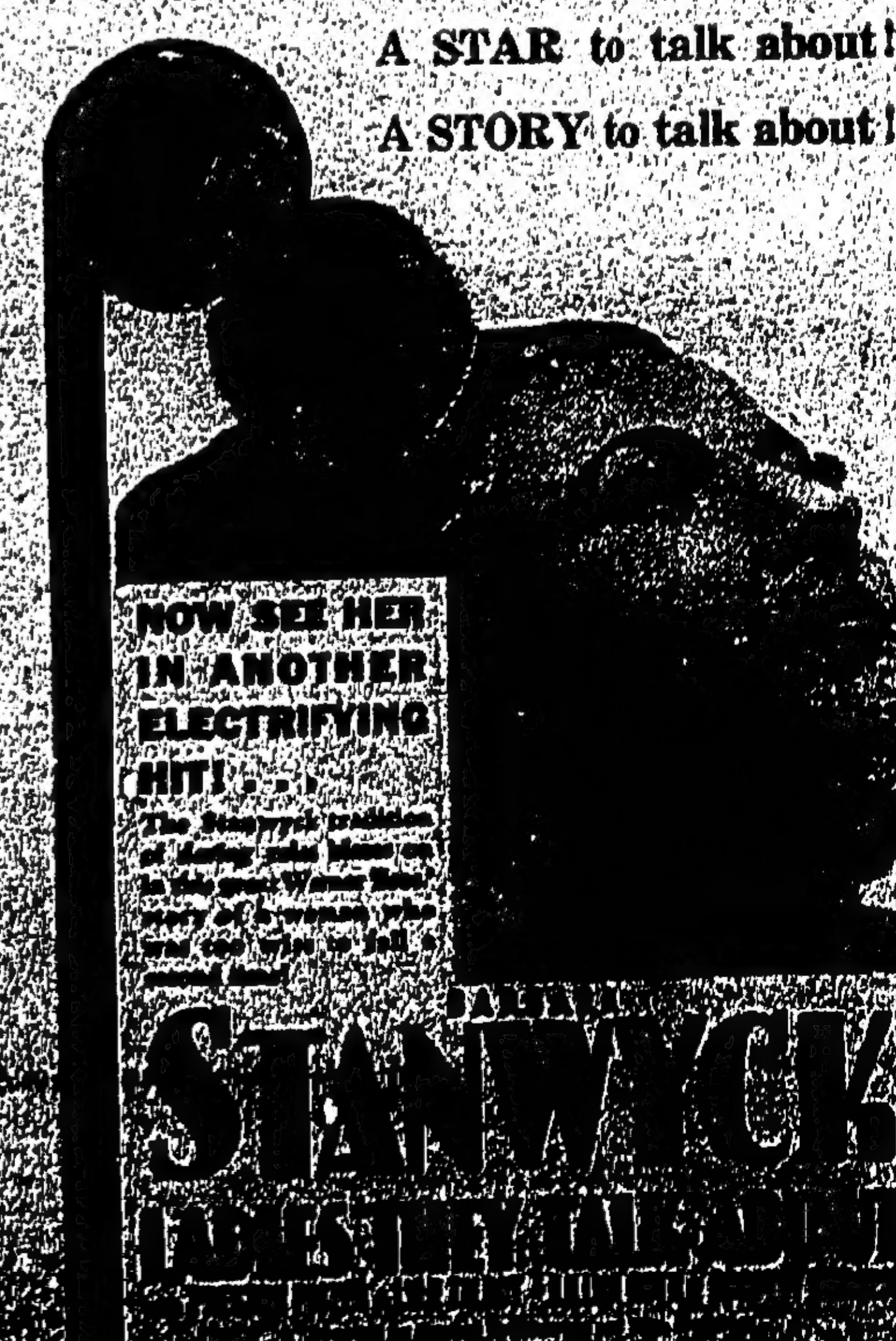
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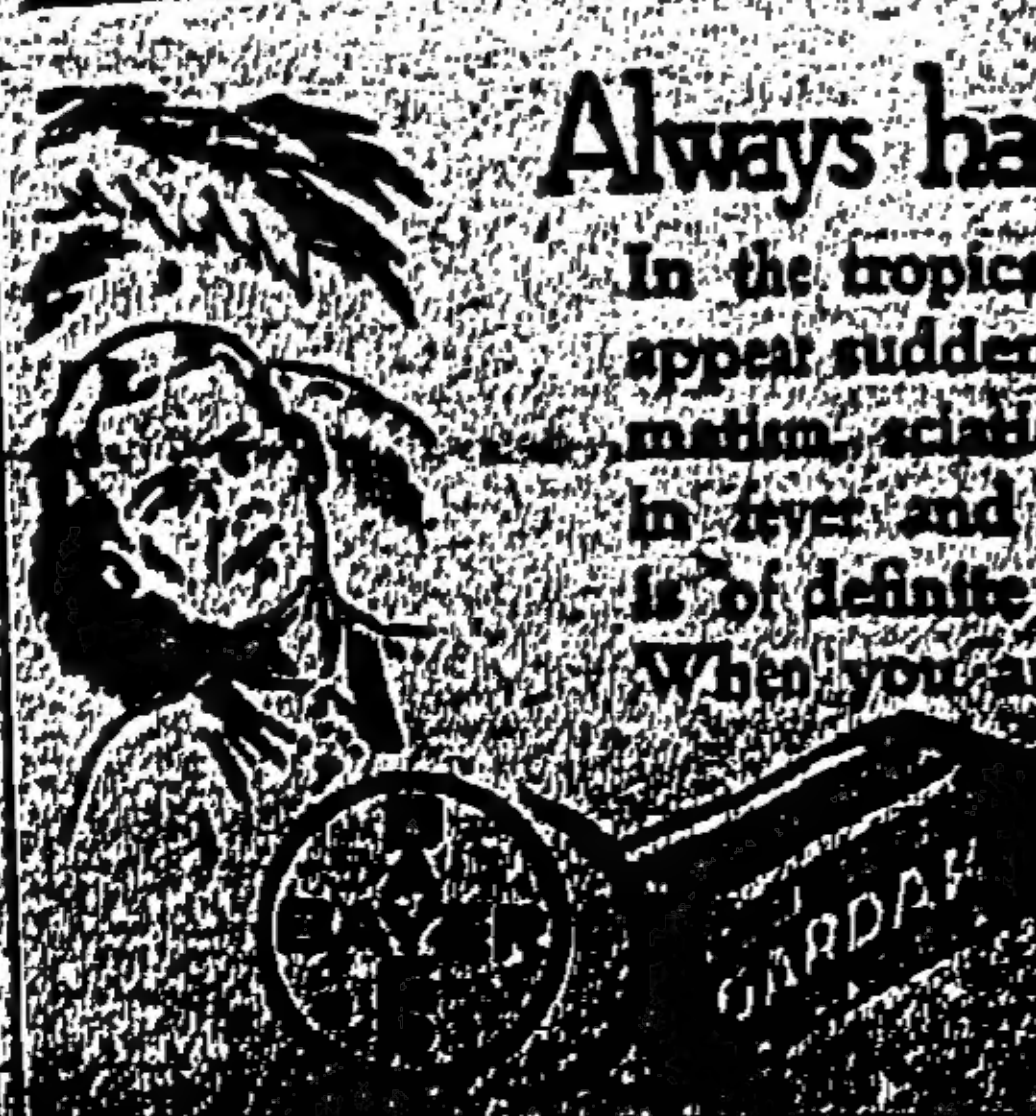
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